

SENATE BILL 2666

By Burks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37,  
Chapter 1, relative to adults placed in juvenile  
detention facilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-116(a)(4), is amended by deleting the language "child" in the second sentence and substituting instead the language "child who is under eighteen (18) years of age".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-116, is amended by adding the following subsection (l):

(l) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, if any child in the legal custody of the department whose last commitment is based on an adjudication of delinquency for an offense that occurred prior to the child's eighteenth birthday commits a crime or public offense under the laws, including local ordinances, of this state, after the child turns eighteen (18) years of age, the department may retain custody of the child, provided that the child is housed in a separate facility from any other child under eighteen (18) years of age.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-173(a), is amended by deleting the language "subject to funding availability and budgetary constraints." and substituting instead the language "subject to funding availability and budgetary constraints and provided the requirements of § 37-1-116(l) are met."

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-173(b), is amended by deleting the language "subject to funding availability and budgetary constraints." and substituting instead the language "subject to funding availability and budgetary constraints and provided the requirements of § 37-1-116(l) are met."

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it